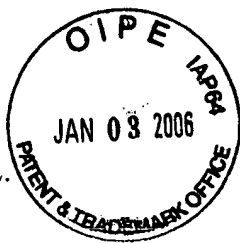


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In re Application of:

ROBERT J. WELCH, ET AL.

Application No.: 10/713,235

Filed: November 14, 2003

For: QUICK ADJUST SUPPORT SYSTEM WITH TRAPPED
OR INTEGRAL WEDGE

Docket No. 0648A.M14400.

Examiner: R.O. Ramirez

Art Unit: 3632

Date: December 29, 2005

Mail Stop Amendment

The Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Response in the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	* 25	MINUS	** 96	= 0	x \$25 \$50	0
INDEP. CLAIMS	* 1	MINUS	*** 4	= 0	x \$100 \$200	0
Fee for Multiple Dependent claims \$180°/\$360						0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT---						0

- * If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
- ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
- *** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

☐ °Verified Statement claiming small entity status is enclosed, if not filed previously.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ is enclosed.

☒ Charge \$450.00 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 to cover the fee for a two-month extension. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any prior general authorization to charge an issue fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.18 to Deposit Account No. 06-1205 is hereby revoked. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required during the entire pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the fee for a _____ month extension is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the Information Disclosure Statement fee is enclosed.

☒ Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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RESPONSE

Sir:

Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated July 29, 2005, by two months, to and including December 29, 2005. Please charge the amount of \$450.00 in payment of the extension fee, and any additional fee required for the extension, and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 06-1205. In response to the outstanding Office Action, Applicants submit the following remarks.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on December 29, 2005.

(Date of Deposit)

LEONARD P. DIANA (Reg. No. 29,296)

(Name of Attorney for Applicant)

Leonard P. Diana

Signature

December 29, 2005

Date of Signature

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